

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 6-12 with the following:

D1 --This application is a continuation of U.S. Application Serial No. 08/988,137,
filed December 23, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,319,670, hereby incorporated by reference. --

Please add the following Abstract of the Disclosure to the specification (also attached as a
separate sheet):

-- ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Microparticles comprising a core and electrochemiluminescent moieties within the core
and methods of using the same in assays.--

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

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78. (Amended) A microparticle comprising a core and electrochemiluminescent
moieties within said core, wherein said electrochemiluminescent moieties are metal-containing
electrochemiluminescent moieties.

Please add the following new claims:

100. (New) A microparticle comprising metal-containing electrochemiluminescent
moieties within said microparticle.

D2 101. (New) The method of claim 98, wherein said assay-ligand immobilized on said
surface and/or said assay-ligand immobilized on said electrode are capable of specifically
binding with said analyte-of-interest.